

**GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA**

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APPOINTMENT OF DEALER
BALIRAM

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

- (a) whether the various public sector oil companies had made the process of appointing dealers `open` as a result of which some petrol pumps had been installed and some were in the process of installation;
- (b) if so, whether the oil companies put a restriction on the said policy during February/March, 2003 as a result of which the heavy investment made by applicants and company has stopped;
- (c) if so, whether approval of his Ministry was taken in implementing and discontinuing with the said policy; and
- (d) if so, the steps taken by the Government to safeguard the interest of applicants in cases where the process of appointing dealers had started?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS (SHRI SANTOSH KUMAR GANGWAR)

- (a) to (d) Two of the public sector oil companies have conducted some interviews for selection of retail outlet dealers as per the policy drafted by them. Further action in these cases will be taken after the finalisation of the policy/guidelines in this regard.